

Remarks

Reconsideration of the application is urged in view of the amendments above and comments which follow.

The Examiner has indicated the allowability of the subject matter of certain of the claims. The claims have therefore been amended to include that subject matter, with the following explanation to help the Examiner consider the amendments:

Claim 34 includes the features of allowable claim 40 and claim 40 has been deleted.

Claim 47 includes the features of allowable claim 52. Claim 52 has been deleted.

Claim 58 has been amended by including the features of allowable claim 41 but in a slightly different form but having the same meaning.

Claim 59 has been amended by including the features of allowable claim 40.

Claim 60 has been added and is a combination of claim 58 with the addition of claim 42 – said to be allowable.

Claim 71 has been added which combines claim 34 and 36 – said to be allowable.

Dependent claims 61 to 70 have been added that are based on the following claims:

Claims 61 and 66 on claim 37

Claims 62 and 67 on claim 38

Claims 63 and 68 on claim 42

Claims 64 and 69 on claim 43

Claim 65 and 70 on claim 44.

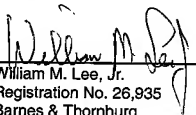
Accordingly, all claims presented are those stated to be allowable by the Examiner.

As this response is being sent during the sixth month following the Examiner's Office Action, an appropriate Petition for Extension of Time is also submitted herewith.

Given the foregoing, it is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance, and the Examiner's further and favorable reconsideration in that regard is urged.

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Respectfully submitted,

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